

Remarks/Arguments

Status of the Application

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections and objections set forth in the Office Action mailed on October 24, 2005.

The Examiner has rejected claims 75-96 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph as failing to comply with the written description requirement.

Claims 75-96 are pending in this application.

The Specification

Applicant has submitted both a marked-up and a clean version of the Specification. Other than relocating the brief description of the drawings and correcting several minor typographical errors, the Specification is otherwise unchanged. As such, Applicant submits that no new matter has been introduced.

Applicant respectfully declines to append the Specification to include a Summary and an Abstract at this time. Applicant will append the Specification appropriately upon allowance of at least some of the claims presented herein.

The Claims

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 1

The Examiner has rejected claims 75-96 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph as failing to comply with the written description requirement. Applicant respectfully traverses.

Applicant directs the Examiner to the following passages of the Specification as they relate to the claims:

Claims 75 and 82: ¶¶ 105 – 115; FIGS. 2, 4, 5, 7, and 8.

Claims 76 and 83: ¶¶ 113-115, 130-131; FIG. 9

Claims 77-80 and 84-87: ¶¶ 51-56

Claims 81 and 88: ¶¶ 88-90

Claims 89-92: See above; see also ¶ 170-178

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Claim 93: Is an aggregate claim containing at least the limitations included in claims 89-92; See above.

Claims 94-96: Are system claims based on previously presented claims; See above.

Applicant believes that all pending claims are allowable and respectfully request a Notice of Allowance for this application from the Examiner. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the undersigned can be reached at the telephone number set out below.

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